

SPORTS CINCINNATI HURER BLANKS BROOKLYN IN PITCHING FRAY SPORTS

BABE RUTH GIVES DOPE HARD BLOW BY HITTING

Some Thought Bostonian Would Not Maintain His Record as Heavy Slugger.

STARTED SEASON IN SLUMP

Pitcher Has Battled for Average of .400 Since Early June—Held "Starrist Star" of All by Kid Gleason.

BY JAMES J. CORBETT.

Babe Ruth's clouting feats of 1919 surely have given the grand old slugger the highest reputation in the history of baseball.

And Ruth, by his performances, has proved beyond any dispute that he is the hardest hitter ever known in any era of baseball has produced.

Ruth blossomed forth as a real batting phenomenon about the springtime of 1918. But along about July of that year the pitchers began to measure him nicely and then on August 15, when batting average slumped like an all-wool suit of the present vintage.

But the mighty Bostonian has reversed things completely. Last year he started hitting for a tremendous average, maintained that clip for half the season and then he slumped.

Just when it was thought that the pitcher had discovered all of the weaknesses of Ruth, and that he would slip even farther from the top of the Goliah from the Hub City began to blow himself to an amazing collection of hits.

Ruth has hit for an average of something better than .400 from the first part of June to the most remarkable have which he has created with his home-run bludgeon has been performed since the start of the season.

Some of the old-timers may point to a greater all-around player in the bygone days than is the club of today, they may tell of faster base runners than dot the baseball universe.

And they may argue that the most were mounded in the dim past greater than Alexander, Johnson, McKeown and those of this generation.

But none can point to a more terrific wall-popper than Ruth. All But Ruth Are Dope.

Deleahy, Brothers, Lange, Wagner, Layton, Burket—all could drive the comedic, tremendous distances. And "Buck" Freeman, whose record Ruth has just eclipsed, could whack the ball through the air all day long.

Freeman played in the days when short fields were in vogue. A swart of the more than ordinary clear the fences. But Ruth is playing now when the distance from home plate to the fences is from 300 to 400 feet.

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BROWNS GET WALLOPING SENATORS TAKE BOTH ENDS OF DOUBLE BILL AT CAPITAL

Recruit Hurler From Jersey City Wins First Game by 12 to 3 Count.

BY Associated Press.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 18.—Washington had a clean sweep of the series with St. Louis by taking both ends of a double-header here today by scores of 12 to 3 and 7 to 0.

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Table with columns for St. Louis and Washington, listing players and statistics.

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BY Associated Press.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 18.—Eckert, a local semi-professional pitcher, made his debut with the Athletics today and was beaten by Cleveland, 4 to 1.

Two hard hits were made off his delivery. Smith, who pitched for the Athletics to two hits in seven innings, but a base-on-balls and a double, both by Gekker, single three runs in the seventh.

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Wonder What a Man Thinks About While Being Introduced by a Toastmaster

By Briggs

WELL HE'S GOT TO ME AT LAST - I MUST APPEAR AS MUCH AT EASE AS I CAN -



I'LL TRY TO APPEAR AS THOUGH I DO NOT MERIT ALL HIS PRAISE BUT I AM POWERLESS TO STOP HIM

EVERYBODY IS NOW AWARE OF THE FACT THAT MR TOASTMASTER IS ALLUDING TO ME. THEY ARE ALL LOOKING AT ME

LET ME THINK OVER WHAT I'M TO SAY - I THINK THAT STORY ABOUT THE COLORED BOY THAT JUST GOT BACK FROM FRANCE

MR TOASTMASTER

AH HE REFERS TO MY JUDICIAL MIND - I MUST APPEAR A BIT MORE STERN AND DIGNIFIED - ONE HAS TO BE MORE OR LESS A PROMINENT PERSON TO BE ASKED TO SPEAK BEFORE A BODY OF MEN LIKE THIS

GEE HE CERTAINLY IS GIVING ME A LOT OF PRAISE - HE IS A VERY SMART TALKER AND KNOWS WHAT HE'S TALKING ABOUT TOO

WELL HE'S FINISHED AT LAST - I'M MIGHTY GLAD TO BE CALLED ON. I SHOULD LOVE TO HAVE A GOOD REPUTATION AS AN AFTER-DINNER SPEAKER - A GULP OF WATER WHILE THE HAND-CLAPPING IS GOING ON - GEE I WISH THE WIFE COULD SEE ME NOW

REDS WIN HURLING TILT ELLER DEFEATS BROOKLYN CLUB BY SCORE OF 2 TO 0

Cincinnati Gathers Two Runs in Seventh on Three Hits, Theft and Wild Pitch.

BY Associated Press.

CINCINNATI, Sept. 18.—The new champions of the National League won from Brooklyn today, 2 to 0. It was a pitchers' battle between Eller and Cadore, in which the former had only slightly the better of it.

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STANDING OF THE CLUBS

Table showing National League standings for Cincinnati, New York, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Brooklyn, St. Louis, Philadelphia.

RESULTS YESTERDAY.

Cincinnati, 2; Brooklyn, 0. Pittsburgh, 7; New York, 0.

GAMES TODAY.

New York at Pittsburgh, Philadelphia at St. Louis, Brooklyn at Cincinnati, Boston at Chicago.

AMERICAN LEAGUE.

Table showing American League standings for Chicago, Cleveland, Detroit, St. Louis, Philadelphia.

RESULTS YESTERDAY.

Cleveland, 4; Philadelphia, 1. Detroit, 8; Boston, 2. Washington, 15; St. Louis, 3-0. New York, 4; Chicago, 1.

GAMES TODAY.

Detroit at Washington, St. Louis at Philadelphia, Chicago at Boston.

Time, 1:12:35. Ball, Top Coat, Applejack.

Sixth race—five and one-half furlongs—Merjorie Hynde, 1:12 (Garner), \$4.00, \$2.20, \$1.20, won; Miss Dandy, 1:13 (Curry), \$4.00, \$2.20, second; Eulah F. 1:15 (Pitt), \$2.00, third.

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SIXTY CANDIDATES OUT FOR UNIVERSITY ELEVEN

Wallace, Haskell and Gamble Among New Men for Charlottesville Football Team.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Sept. 18.—Opening day at the University of Virginia today saw sixty candidates for the football eleven in uniform.

New men out included Wallace and Haskell, tackle, and Gamble, end, Bobby Wall, tackle, and Gamble, end, Bobby Wall, tackle, and Gamble, end.

Goeh will arrive tomorrow from Detroit to join the coaching staff.

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SCORE OF SPIDERS ATTEND FIRST FOOTBALL WORKOUT

Coach Dohson Gives Preliminary Instructions to Squad at Richmond College.

An even score of Spider football candidates graced around Coach Dohson yesterday afternoon and received preliminary instructions in the fundamentals of gridiron sport.

The coach and his pupils got acquainted with each other so that now both trainer and players know what to expect.

Following the getting acquainted period the squad, which will increase in number in the next few days, was put through a light practice in several basic principles of the game.

Although the squad in general determined yesterday, a few days will give Coach Dohson an idea of their individual merits.

The prospects thus far are not as bright as desired, Clyde Shepherd being the only letter man to report for the initial practice.

There are three members of the 1918 in-formal team. The squad in general offers to Coach Dohson a splendid subject for his well-known coaching ability.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION. Milwaukee, 7; St. Paul, 3. Minneapolis, 4; Kansas City, Louisville, 3. St. Paul, 7; Indianapolis, 3.

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AFTER WINNING TWO HEATS PACER IS FOUND INELIGIBLE

Grand Circuit Program During Usual Occurrence Featured 200 Event.

(By Associated Press.) COLUMBUS, Ohio, Sept. 18.—While there were four well-contested events on today's Grand Circuit program, nearly all of the interest centered on the 200 pace, in which an unusual occurrence sent Esther R. driven by Murphy and winner of the first two heats, to the barn before the third heat started on account of the ineligibility.

The owner of Aquilla Dillon, after the second heat, claimed that Esther R.'s record of 2:06.74 had been made August 16 at Philadelphia, and was one day too soon to retain her eligibility.

The complaint was verified, and Murphy's Aquilla Dillon was declared winner of the first two heats. She then won the third heat and the race.

The free-for-all pace was a disappointing affair on account of the slow time. Miss Harris, of the Plover, won after taking the second heat from Doretta J. who stood a terrific drive in the third heat.

Baron Gleason won the 2:15 trot, due to a bad break he finished last in the first heat.

De Nick won the 2:19 trot. This event was held as the next in the grand circuit program, which was held in each heat was sent to the barn for a summary.

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LEXTON RESULTS

First race—six furlongs—Morse John, 1:06 (Murphy), \$4.00, \$2.20, \$1.20, won; Sparrows, 1:07 (Curry), \$2.00, second; Water, 1:08 (Pitt), \$1.00, third. Time, 1:12:25.

Second race—five and one-half furlongs—Lorraine, 1:12 (Garner), \$4.00, \$2.20, \$1.20, won; Miss Dandy, 1:13 (Curry), \$4.00, \$2.20, second; Eulah F. 1:15 (Pitt), \$2.00, third.

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